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MEMORANDUM FOR: D/DCI/IC  
FROM: Director of Central Intelligence  
SUBJECT: Compartmentation

1. After the briefing I had from NSA on Monday morning, I am increasingly concerned about the importance of controlling our highly compartmented programs. I know that I have already asked for a major review of compartmentation in response to the Vice President's request. In anticipation of it, however, I would like to look urgently at what you consider to be the ten most sensitive compartmented programs that we have. I would appreciate receiving a list of those programs with a brief description of their content and a list of all the individuals who are cleared for each.

2. I would also like to know who is authorized to add to or subtract from these access lists.

3. What I have in mind is the possibility of issuing an immediate directive requiring your personal approval of any additions to these lists and directing you to pare them down if you think it appropriate.

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